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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT:BDG REQUESTS PL-480 RICE RATHER THAN WHEAT

REF: (A) DACCA 3337; (B) DACCA 3374

1. WE HAVE CAREFULLY EXAMINED AIR VICE MARSHAL MAHMOOD'S
REQUEST THAT WE CHANGE THE COMMODITY COMPOSITION BY IN-
CREASING THE AMOUNT OF RICE IN THE PL 480 TITLE I AMENDMENT
CURRENTLY UNDER NEGOTIATION.

2. AS WE SEE THE SITUATION, THERE ARE TWO ALTERNATIVES:

A) TO SIGN AN AMENDMENT PROMPTLY ON BASIS OF YOUR PRESENT
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INSTRUCTIONS. IF NECESSARY, WE CAN THEN CONSIDER ADDITIONAL
RICE/WHEAT ALLOCATIONS FOR DELIVERY EARLY IN FY 78. B) TO
SIGN NOW FOR THE 75,000 RICE AND GO BACK TO THE ISC TO TRY
TO CHANGE THE MIX OF THE BALANCE TO 25,000 RICE AND 50,000
WHEAT. THE SECOND OPTION COULD ENTAIL A MONTH'S DELAY,
AND IN TURN COULD PRECLUDE SHIPMENT AND ARRIVAL OF THESE
GRAINS IN THE TIME FRAME YOU HAVE REQUESTED.

3. AFTER THE AMENDMENT IS CONCLUDED, THE MINIMUM ARRIVAL TIME FOR THE 75,000 TONS OF RICE NOW AUTHORIZED COULD BE EIGHT TO NINE WEEKS FROM AMENDMENT DATE. GRAIN AGREED TO ON APRIL 1 WAS TO HAVE BEGAN ARRIVING IN CHITTAGONG IN THE SECOND HALF OF JUNE, ALTHOUGH WE STILL HAVE NO CONFIRMATION THAT IT HAS DONE SO. THESE ARRIVAL TIMES, OF COURSE, MEAN VERY PROMPT ACTION ON THE PART OF BANGLADESHI OFFICIALS HERE IN PURCHASING COMMODITIES AND ARRANGING SHIPPING.

4. RE PARA 3, REFTEL A, WE ARE CONCERNED THAT GOOD QUALITY RICE (PRESUMABLY INCLUDING PL 480) IS REPORTEDLY CONSUMED BY THE MORE AFFLUENT GROUPS WHILE WHEAT GOES TO THE POORER CLASSES. WE WOULD APPRECIATE ANY INFORMATION ON THE MATTER IN ADDITION TO THAT WHICH YOU HAVE ALREADY PROVIDED. VANCE

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